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1B: Waiting Well – Learning Godly Postures of the Heart While Waiting. Facilitator: Liz Chan. This workshop looks at how we wait for God and how He waits for us. It offers godly habits to learn and to practice while waiting, and encourages a posture of drawing near. **1C:** Creative Contemplative Writing – Prayers of the Heart.

Facilitator: Richard Long. For those who love to write, look at the various styles of writings by the saints throughout the centuries and offers opportunities to creatively write and journal your prayers and praises to God using the same.

Workshop Session 2 - Drawing near through Classical

<u>**Contemplative Practices**</u> These centuries' old methods of listening to God can become fresh and valuable tools for your personal life and can be modified for use to lead church meetings, ladies gatherings, home and cell groups.

2A: The Practice of Examen – Facilitator: Janet Parker. Learn and practice this meaningful method of connecting and drawing near by listening prayer and reflection at the end of your day.

2B: The Practice of Lectio Divina, Facilitator; Terry Long. Learn and practice this meaningful method of connecting and drawing near by listening and reflecting on the Scriptures. His Word is living and powerful and speaks to our hearts when we take the time to listen.

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